

## PROOF OF JUDAISM LETTER FOR ALIYAH APPLICATION

Acceptable Proof of Judaism is a letter from a recognized synagogue Rabbi, from a Rabbinical Organization in North America, confirming how the Rabbi knows of your Jewish lineage.

- The letter may be in either English or Hebrew (only).
- The letter must appear on official synagogue letterhead.
- It must state the name, location, and telephone number of the congregation
- It must include your full legal name (legal name as it appears on your birth certificate) and your parents' names and grandparents' names (where relevant).
- The letter must bear the Rabbi's signature, in ink. A digital signature is insufficient **AND** the Rabbi's name and title must appear on the letterhead.
- The letter must include the date it was written.
- This is required for all adults in the family making Aliyah.

### If you are Jewish through your mother the letter must also:

- State that you were born to a Jewish mother.
- List both of your parents' legal names.

### If you are Jewish through your father or grandfather the letter must also:

- State that you were born to a Jewish father or grandfather as relevant.
- List their legal names.

### If you converted to Judaism:



- You will be required to submit additional documentation proving your completion of the conversion process.
- You will receive further instructions during the application process.

You **MAY** also be required, by the Jewish Agency, to provide a copy of any of the following documents - your mother or father's Birth Certificate, your parents' Marriage Certificate, and/or your grandparent's marriage certificate.

**Israeli citizens** may have additional options for the Proof of Judaism requirement.

**Please contact your Jewish Agency for Israel Shaliach to discuss your options if you cannot obtain this letter.**

## Sample Proof of Judaism for Aliyah Application

Synagogue Letterhead	
	Name of Congregation/Synagogue Address Phone Number
Date: _____	
To whom it may concern,	
I know ____ (FULL LEGAL NAME OF APPLICANT) ____ son/daughter of ____ (PARENT'S NAME) ____ and ____ (PARENT'S NAME) ____ is Jewish and born to a Jewish mother.	
Signed,  Rabbi First & Last Name Title	